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## VIA ECF

The Honorable Paul G. Gardephe United States District Court Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, NY 10007

Re: <u>United States v. Whitney McFarland</u>,

21 Cr. 33 (PGG)

Dear Judge Gardephe:

I write to request that Your Honor order the United States Pretrial Services Office in the Southern District of New York to release Mr. Whitney McFarland's passport to Mr. McFarland, or to a representative from my office. Mr. McFarland's passport was surrendered to Pretrial Services during the pendency of his criminal case. On May 24, 2021, Mr. McFarland received a sentence of time served with three years of supervised release. Pretrial Services has informed my office that they can only release Mr. McFarland's passport pursuant to a Court Order. We thus respectfully request that the Court order the release of his passport.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Amy Gallicchio

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SO ORDERED:

HONORABLE PAUL G. GARDEPHE

**United States District Judge** 

Dated: June 10, 2021